GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department – Allegations of corruption against Sri A. Rajaram, Senior Assistant, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar District – Trapped by the ACB Officials on 23.11.1997 – Prosecuted in the Court of Law – Retired on 28.2.2003 – Acquitted by the Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases cum IV Addl. Chief Judge City Civil Court, Hyderabad – Criminal Appeal filed in APHC – Dismissed – Further action dropped – Orders - Issued.

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<u>Dated: 01.11.2011</u> Read the following: -

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT [VIG.III-A] DEPARTMENT

1) From the Director General, ACB, Hyderabad,

Rc.No.157/RCT-KNR/97, dated:19.4.1999. 2] G.O.Ms.No.450, PR & RD Department, Dated.10.8.1999.

3] From the Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases cum IV Addl. Chief Judge City Civil Court, Hyderabad, Judgement dt.31.7.2003 in C.C.No.19 of 1999

- 4] From the Director General, ACB, Hyderabad, Rc.No.157/RCT-KNR/97, Dt.24.11.2003.
- 5] Govt. Memo.No.394/VS.II/A1/2001-4, Dated.15.12.2003.
- 6] From the High Court of AP, Hyderabad, Crl. Appeal No.655 of 2004, dated.27.4.2011.
- 7] From the Director General, ACB, Hyderabad, Rc.No.157/RCT-KNR/97, Dated.4.7.2011

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ORDER:

G.O.Rt.No.1601

It has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad that Sri A. Rajaram, former Senior Assistant, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar district (now retired), was trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau Officials on 23.11.1997, when he demanded and accepted the bribe an amount of Rs.25,000/- from the complainant for doing some official favour in forwarding his file for getting a job in the Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar on compassionate grounds. As such, he was placed under suspension by the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar on 23.11.1997 and subsequently, he was reinstated into service vide G.O.Rt.No.20, PR & RD (E.V) Department, dated.18.1.2000.

- 2] In the reference 2nd read above, the Government accorded sanction for prosecution against the Accused Officer Sri A. Rajaram, Senior Assistant, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar in a Court of Law for the offence punishable under section 7 & 11, 13 (1) (d) of P.C. Act., 1988. Accordingly, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad filed charge sheet against him in the Court of Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Hyderabad. In the meanwhile, the Accused Officer was retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 28.2.2003.
- 3] In the reference 3rd read above, the Hon'ble Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases cum IV Addl. Chief Judge City Civil Court, Hyderabad pronounced Judgement dt.31.7.2003 in C.C.No.19 of 1999, acquitting the Accused Officer Sri A. Rajaram, Sr. Asst., ZP, Karimnagar from the charge under section 248 (1) Cr.P.C.
- 4] In the ref. 4th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad while enclosing a copy of the Judgement of the trail court, has requested the Government to accord permission to file an appeal in the High Court of A.P. against the acquittal Judgement of the Hon'ble Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Hyderabad, dt. 31.7.2003 in C.C.No.19 of 1999.

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- 5] Accordingly, the Govt. accorded permission to the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad to file an appeal in the High Court of A.P., in the reference 5th read above. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad had filed Criminal Appeal No.655/2004 in the High Court of A.P.
- 6] The Hon'ble High Court of A.P., in its Judgement dt. 27.4.2011 in Criminal Appeal No.665 of 2004, has dismissed the Criminal Appeal filed by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau while confirming the acquittal Judgment of Prl. Spl. Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Hyderabad vide reference 6th read above.
- The Government, after careful examination of the matter, and having the circumstance of the case, have decided to drop further action against Sri A. Rajaram, former Senior Assistant, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar district (now retired), and to release all pensionary benefits to the retired employee, keeping in view the Judgement pronounced by the Hon'ble High Court of A.P. in Criminal Appeal No.665 of 2004 in C.C.No.19 of 1999. Accordingly, the Govt. hereby drop further action and direct to release all pensionary benefits to Sri A. Rajaram, former Senior Assistant, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar district (now retired), immediately.
- 8] The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. RAJIV SHARMA, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (PR)

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The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Karimnagar. (we).

Sri A. Rajaram, former Sr. Asst., ZP Karimnagar district

(now retired) **through** the Chief Executive Officer, ZP, Karimnagar.

The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Employment, AP-Hyderabad.

Copy to: -

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Vigilance Commissioner, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

The Dist. Audit Officer, State Audit, Karimnagar

The District Treasury Officer, Karimnagar.

The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.

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//FORWARDED BY :: ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER.